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Schools Grant Pupils Awards; New Funds Set

The approach of commencement brings the announcement of numerous stipends and awards offered to graduating seniors.

The Rochelle Minster Memorial Scholarship Foundation, established in honor of a former Erasmian who, while a junior high school mathematics teacher, died of leukemia, will make its first annual award at this year's exercises. Contributions to the scholarship fund can be mailed to the Rochelle Minster Memorial Scholarship Fund at the school.

The class of June 1962 recently established a fund to perpetuate the memory of Theodore Adenbaum, who died on March 12, 1963. Contributions may be sent to Marilyn Bonner, 284 Eastern Parkway or to Alan Goodstadt, 40 Lincoln Road.

Scholarship winners this year include Douglas Good and John Walker, who received stipends from Columbia College; Isabella Blumenstock from Barnard; and Herschel Bird from Brown. The Cornell Regents Scholarship went to Stephen Berman and Bruce Leslie.

Janice Roth and Jonathan Goldberg received grants from the University of Chicago, Larry Lustgarten from Amherst, Ronald Rubin from Northwestern, John Fagan from St. John's and Steve Smith from Long Island University.

Awards also went to Bruce Leslie from Harvard, Arthur Kuflik from Yale, and Kenneth Borden, Matthew Katz, and Mark Wolfman from the University of Rochester. Phyllis Bell won the title of "Homemaker of Tomorrow" from the Betty Crocker Company. Another award went to Joel Kassiola from the Sephardic Jewish Brotherhood of America.

Junior Arista Inducts Sophs

Forty-one sophomores entered Junior Arista in chapel ceremonies on April 30. Arista officers James Dinerstein, boy leader, Martha Shaffer, girl leader, and Helen Gunsher, secretary, presided over the ceremony, during which the candidates recited the Ephebic Oath. Mr. Thomas G. Lawrence, chairman of the biology department, gave the keynote address.

The new members are: Jini Tanenhaus, Carole Seldon, Jeffrey Klein, Barbara Berkowitz, Michael Hayman, Sharon Gilbert, Rosalie Boxer, Lynn Shulman, Sue Bernstein, Alan Demsky, Marilyn Allen, Nancy Kopelson, Edward Sussman, Andrea Lucas, Sanford Geiger, Marsha Fried, Marvin Liebling, Harry Rothstein, Jeffrey Tashman, Hannah Low, Valerie Shesko, Leonard Schwartz.

Others are: Ellen Drosnin, Mary Jacobs, Miles Breit, Victoria Ludwig, Ellen Kaplan, Patricia Gill, Barbara Kassof, Lisa Briskman, Carol Saturansky, Jeffrey Simon, Peter Stein, Marion Botwin, Marilyn Rosenfeld, Ira Addes, Mary Boyd, Linda Ferguson, Sandra Morsch, Edward Feiman, Alan Radzin.

Mr. Herman Levi is faculty adviser of the junior honor society. In his speech, Mr. Lawrence emphasized the importance of education as an enjoyable activity rather than a burdensome task.

Twenty Musicians In All-City Group

The All-City Orchestra and All-City Chorus performed at Philharmonic Hall the night of May 8. C.B.S. broadcasted the program. Erasmus members of the orchestra are: Michael Fellner, and William Krinsky.

The chorus members are: Joan Crapanzano, Margaret Ford, Jerome

Wolin Victor In G.O. Contest; Ramsey, Rudnick Finish Slate

by Betsy Kreger

The annual G.O. election brought victory to Kenny Wolin, president, Larry Ramsey, vice-president, and Sybil Rudnick, secretary. Student Council members, supervised by Mr. John P. Campana, G.O. faculty adviser, tabulated the results of the Friday, May 3 official class poll.

Kenny gained the top position by a margin of ninety-six votes in the presidential race. His opponents were Mark Grant, who registered 1714 ballots, and Jerry Goldman, who chalked up 1420 counts.

Ramsey Trounces Rivals

In the vice-presidential contest, Larry Ramsey sailed to victory on a wave of popular support. Larry trounced his rivals, Seth Banks and Sherman Klotz, by amassing 2529 voices of approval. Seth gained 1303 votes while Sherman polled 1174.

Sybil Rudnick racked up 1889 "ayes" to win the top distaff position. The new secretary outdid Jane Worthman and Sue Hirschfeld, each of whom tallied 1550 votes.

Commenting on his newly acquired office, president-elect Wolin said, "I want to thank everyone who supported me. I will try to keep the standards of Erasmus where they are, and where they belong."

Posters Decorate Walls

The campaign began with hopeful aspirants to office petitioning for student support. Those with the required number of signatures then gained the right to test their strength in the primary elections on April 5. The top scorers then became full-fledged candidates, decorating the halls with posters and wearing placards in an attempt to garner votes. During the week before the election, chapel speeches acquainted the student body with the candidates.

Said Mr. Campana, "More than ninety-two percent of our student body voted in the G.O. election. This figure is a goal toward which our whole country should strive in 1964."



G.O. TEAM: Mr. Campana, Larry Ramsey, Sybil Rudnick, and Kenny Wolin flash victory grins.

Writers Gain C. of C. Awards; Berman Receives M.A.A. Prize

by Bruce Leslie

Top prize in the New York City Chamber of Commerce essay contest, a fifty-dollar bond, went to James Dinerstein, a fourth term journalism student. James also won first prize for the tenth year, thirty-

five dollars in cash. Senior Steven Mendelsohn, a Braille student, won first prize for the twelfth year, thirty-five dollars, and Kenneth Fisher won a fifteen-dollar award for placing third in the eleventh year division.

They received their prizes in ceremonies at the Great Hall of the Chamber of Commerce on May 24. The topic for this year's contest was "Preserving Historic Buildings in New York City."

Commented Dr. A. Barnett Langdale, chairman of the English department, "For any one school to cop three of twelve prizes is a most exceptional achievement for the students and for the school. Also to be congratulated are the teachers of these students."

Honors also went to mathematician Stephen Berman who received the top school score in the Fourteenth Annual High School Mathematics Contest sponsored by the Society of Actuaries and the Mathematical Association of America. Steve received a pin from the M.A.A. for his outstanding rating in the eighty-minute examination administered throughout the world.

Linguists Get Top Recognition In French, German Contests

by Jeffrey Rubin

Language scholars participated in many contests this spring and recently received some of their results. Students of German and French took qualifying tests given by the Société des Professeurs de Français en Amérique and the American Association of Teachers of German in late March and early April. Participants in the Latin contest sponsored by the New York Classical Club took their exam on May 10, and will receive their notices later this month.

Our most honored Frenchman is junior Anny Bestel, who won a fifty dollar bond from the Société de Professeurs de Français en Amérique and first place in the entire metropolitan area in the American Association of Teachers of French national

the importance of good posture and physical fitness, and commended the eighty-two contestants on their achievement.

The judges were Miss Rosemary Holman of the Girls' Health Education Department at New Utrecht High School, formerly of this school, Mr. John Campana of the G.O., Mrs. Hazel Pfleiderer of the Girl's Branch PSAL, Dr. Jean Berger of New York University Department of Physical Education, Professor Marion Philips of Barnard College stressed

Philips of Barnard College Physical Education Department, and Mrs. Helen Reader of Far Rockaway High School.

"The event of this contest is one of the crowning achievements of our school," noted Dr. McNeill in his address to the participants and guests, marking the fifteenth year of the contest. The Health Education departments held a reception for winners, parents and guests in the Academy building.



POSTURE QUEEN: Mary Ann Granato and runners-up receive awards from Dr. McNeill.

Miss Granato Is Miss Erasmus

by Eleanor Stein

A straight back and an upheld chin won a laurel wreath and the title of "Miss Erasmus" for senior Mary Ann Granato in the finals of the Posture Contest, held May 22 in gym 125. Rochelle Beyer was second place winner and Maxine Lewis took third place in the fifteenth annual competition.

Mrs. Hazel Pfleiderer, from the Girls' Branch PSAL, who originated the contest, crowned Mary Ann, who said, "After three years of being a finalist!"

A poster contest traditionally accompanies the Posture Contest, and senior Cynthia Corenthal took first place for her poster interpretation of physical fitness. Second place winner was Elliot Schaier, and Emilie Rosenblatt was third. The winners received prizes, while Steven Ratner gained honorable mention.

Miss Adele Towbin, chairman of the girls' health education department, presided over the contest, aided by members of her department. Dr. John F. McNeill, principal, and Miss Grace L. Corey, administrative assistant, addressed the guests and presented the awards.

Guest speaker Professor Marion Philips of Barnard College stressed

French contest. Other winners in the contest sponsored by the Société were seniors Isabella Blumenstock and Jerrold Lozner. Isabella received a medal and a book and Jerrold received a book.

German scholar Anna Herschmann, a junior, won second place in the third year division of the city-wide German contest.

Columbia University was the scene of the Latin qualifying tests taken on May 10. Participants in the second year division were junior Susan Leibowitz and sophomores Linda Stark and Raymond Greenfield. Contestants for third year division honors were juniors Randi Fisch, Betsy Kreger, and Jeremy Chess. Our fourth year division entrant was senior Milton Smith.

Beauty for All

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever," wrote poet John Keats. However, the beauty of our campus, and therefore, the enjoyment of it, is endangered daily by a few wantons who have no real sense of what beauty is.

Recently, Dr. McNeill addressed the student body concerning a new outburst of vandalism involving the damage done to plumbing fixtures in the boys' lavatories. Several newly-installed liquid soap dispensers were wrenched from the walls even before a Board of Education official had the opportunity to inspect the work. The writing on the walls is a display of the vulgarity of a few students whose juvenile behavior has proved to be a disgrace to the school! Moreover, tiles and glass partitions in the stairways are under constant repair because of vandalism.

Many thousands of dollars are earmarked each year for the replacement of desks, chairs, and other classroom necessities. What a waste of money which could be put to good use if all students regarded their school with pride!

Self-Discipline

Astronaut Gordon Cooper faced an emergency—and met it. He was able to bring the "Faith 7" in on manual control when part of the automatic system failed.

This was the payoff of long hours of practice and routine and drill. This was the result of the long hours of self-discipline: he was able to save his life.

Self-discipline is perhaps the single thing most lacking among today's students. The lack of it accounts for many of the ills which plague us.

Self-discipline might be simply defined as putting one's conscience or one's reason ahead of one's impulses. Not doing this most often results in a lack of consideration for others, last-minute work, sloppiness in dress or habits, vandalism, lateness, and several other evils.

Certainly, our marathon Astronaut would not have been successful without the discipline he imposed upon himself. By the same token, we cannot expect success unless we accept the necessity for self-discipline.

Metscasters Reflect Team Characteristics

by "Babe" Leslie

The thought of baseball brings the Mets immediately to mind. No, this is not a dissertation on the bungling ineptitude of Mrs. Payson's employees, nor a solemn discussion of the Metaphile. This is an examination of an overlooked attribute of the Polo Grounds boys—their official voice. Mets sportscasters are more fascinating than the "late" Mary Throneberry, and at times more confusing than the Ol' Perfesser himself, but they are truly Metian.

Let us begin with Ralph "Big Number 13" Branca, host of "Branca's Bullpen," a pre-game T.V. effort, and co-commentator on "Club House Journal," a post-game soap opera. Branca was a Met before his time. In the 1951 Dodger-Giant play-off, Branca, on the mound for the Bums, served up a gopher ball in the ninth inning that Bobby Thompson smashed over the fence to steal the game for the opposition.

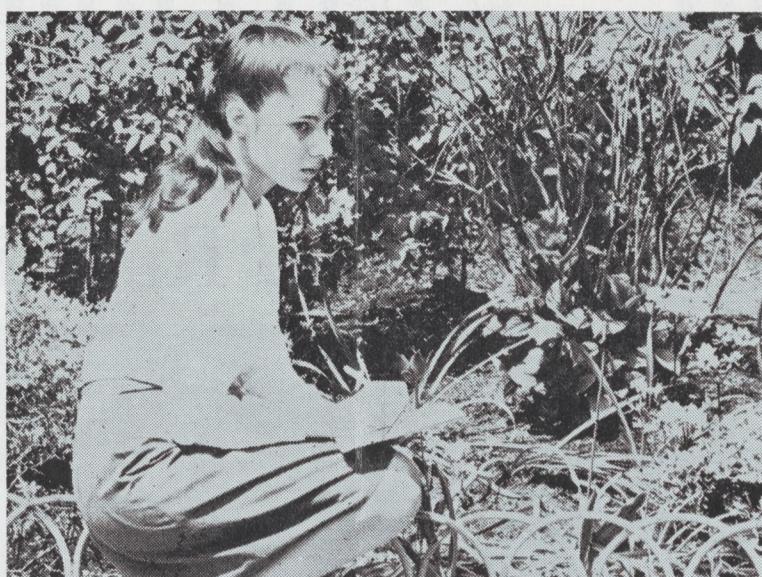
Viewers expecting Branca's routine show were surprised one day with a full-screen shot of a hand and Branca's voice squealing, "This is the hand of Gil Hodges." (Whew! We thought it was the mummy.)

Bob Murphy is a play-by-play man. His mid-western accent is unique. His "nine" come from a smile that almost circumscribes his face. He is perhaps most adept at cigarette commercials. Once he calmly lit up, smoothly and effortlessly inhaled, and, with inimitable grace and *savoir-faire*, blew the smoke into his nose.

A former Pirate slugger, Ralph Kiner, is another golden boy of the air waves whose most spectacular performance is given on his show, "Kiner's Corner." During one commercial he stopped, uncomfortably adjusted his tie, and enunciated, "Could you please hold that cue card up a little higher?"

Grandad of Metmen is Howard Cossell. Cossell's radio words seem pushed out through a strainer. Famous for the Cossell Curse, he jinxes every player he picks to succeed.

Campus Creatures Talk



by Myra Drucker

Our campus is a sheltered little world of flowers, lawns, and bright pools of sunlight flickering through the trees. Bathing in one of these pools we chanced upon a curious looking creature. When we stopped

to talk, he identified himself as Cicero Centipede.

"Living in such academic surroundings is an edifying experience," he informed us, "but it is difficult for a scholar to supply shoes for an entire family—fifty pairs for each offspring."

Cicero wasn't the only one to complain of the high cost of living. As our guide he introduced us to numerous other campus scholars with similar problems.

Felix Firefly was vehement: "I don't know about national economics, but fireflies need fuel, and we can't afford today's prices. They're . . . They're . . . inflationary!!!"

Not all were so bitter, however. A sweet yellow azalea bush said with a sigh, "I've been here since the Revolution—this was just a meadow then. The good old days were nice, but now at least, I don't have children and cows running over me."

Roses, tulips—all commented eagerly. And as we left, Cicero remarked, "Don't tread on me!"

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter to register a complaint about the quality of the candidates who ran for office in the recent G.O. elections. Their speeches in chapel on Thursday, April 25 were appalling. Some candidates did not bother to enumerate their qualifications or reveal what they planned to do if elected.

One candidate merely chose to tell the senior class how wonderful it is, apparently "forgetting" to list his plans or qualifications. Someone else spent five minutes reciting bad jokes. Still another candidate informed us that this year the senior grade would vote for the first time in a G.O. election. (In the past *all* senior grades have voted in these elections!)

A candidate for secretary based her entire speech on the "fact" that the Student Assembly does not publish reports of its meetings. As president of this organization, I can testify that since its inception, the Student Assembly has sent copies of the minutes of its meetings.

I feel that student government in Erasmus should not be turned into a farce. A screening committee of students and teachers should be formed to make sure that the situation which occurred at this election can never occur again.

Michael Kronley
President, Student Assembly

55 Days at Peking

A Romantic Rebellion

by William Shock

"Fifty-Five Days at Peking," starring Charlton Heston, Ava Gardner and David Niven, is a sometimes factual, sometimes romantic, celluloid account of the Boxer Rebellion.

This movie seems realistic at first, but it soon falls short of its historical goal. However, much can be said for the accuracy of the sets which were built from period maps and photographs.

In the role of Major Matt Lewis, Charlton Heston gives a fine performance. David Niven is convincing as Sir Arthur Robertson, an English ambassador trying to do good. As a disgraced Russian baroness, Ava Gardner does her best to round out the story. Lynne Sue Moon proves her acting ability with an excellent portrayal of the orphaned daughter of an American sergeant.

At the beginning of the film foreign armies are occupying Peking and the surrounding Chinese territory. The stars ask themselves "Why are we here?" and "Why do we need this territory?" as they learn more and more of China's distress.

In the midst of a battle in Peking the principals ask the classic: "What is the purpose of war?" and "Are we doing the right thing?"

These "moral" questions (or rather clichés) may have been debated by real people, but the picture's atom of reality is smashed by the almost supernatural luck which blesses the heroes.

Although history and Hollywood aren't in agreement about the facts of the Boxer Rebellion, "Fifty-Five Days in Peking" is an interesting and exciting entertainment.

Guidance Guidelines

"Students who have not yet been accepted to college should not lose hope," said Mrs. Fanny Spieler, college adviser. "There are still good schools to which they can apply, if they care enough to explore the possibilities."

The General Studies division of the Bernard Baruch School of Retailing will accept students with averages of 75% or above and strong C.E.E.B. scores for its work-study cooperative program.

Brockport, Fredonia, Plattsburgh, Potsdam, Genesco, Cortland and Buffalo, state university schools, report openings.

Vocational programs for high school graduates are available in automotive mechanics at Brooklyn High School of Automotive Trades, and in machining at Manhattan Vocational Technical High School.

The College Admissions Center, a private organization, will try to help students find colleges. A fee is charged for this service.

"Information on all these programs is available in Room 8," concluded Mrs. Spieler.

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Grading Regents, Great Task

by Steven Smith and Arthur Cronen

"It's an assembly line process," said Dr. A. Barnett Langdale, chairman of the English department, in describing the way English Regents papers are marked. "A committee of teachers is organized for each question and these teachers, using official answer keys, find little room for leeway in marking."

Even for essay questions teachers are given guides telling at what point errors in spelling and grammar will result in a failure. Failing papers are first read through by a failures committee and then by Dr. Langdale, who makes every attempt to "pull up a failing paper." When reading such a paper he forgets the student's reputation.

"History teachers discuss how the Regents questions should be answered before any papers are marked," said Mr. Arthur Bernstein, chairman of the history department. This must be done because the teachers are not provided with an answer key for essay questions. "A guide would be too restrictive," added the chairman. The teachers then mark ten sample papers to see if students are answering the questions as the teachers thought they should. "Sometimes," he admitted, "we get better answers from the students."

"The purpose of Regents is to set standards," said Mr. Sidney Levitan, chairman of the French department. Mr. Levitan pleaded that the Regents

"should not become an end in itself."

Of the new French Regents that was given for the first time last year he said, "The better students did poorly and the poor students did well." This happens because 80% of the new test was multiple choice. Also, previous tests called for an active understanding of the language (translation, grammar, and composition), while the new exam calls for a passive knowledge of the subject (listening, reading and interpretation).

All students who will soon face Regents exams will do well to remember that there are only two things that can help them: studying and good luck!

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Diamondmen Beat Madison; Defeat Midwood And Wingate

by Bruce Goldwitz

The baseball team, in a contest in doubt to the final out, defeated Madison, 3-2, on May 13, at Erasmus Field.

Steve Starkweather started the game on the mound, but later switched to third base, with John Howell relieving him. Fred Block drove in all three runs, with two long hits to left field. He was able to round the bases twice, as the Highwayman left fielder bobbled the ball both times. Madison threatened to tie the score in the last inning, but Block's fine peg to Harvey Stein at the plate for the last out, secured the victory.

Misues Ruin Middies

On May 9, the Dutchmen downed Midwood, 2-1, for the second time this season. Starkweather went all the way, yielding only four hits. The two runs came on no hits and three errors, in a weird fifth inning. Tom Cahill reached second on the shortstop's error. John Bauer reached first on another miscue, Cahill advancing to third. On a pick-off attempt, Cahill, hung up between third and home, crossed the plate when the catcher threw the ball into left field. Bauer, who had gone to third, then scored the winning run, as Block brought him home on a squeeze play.

Balsamo's Hurling Excels

Don Balsamo, turning in a three-hitter, led the diamondmen to a 1-0 victory over Wingate, on May 6. The tally came in the second inning. Bauer led off with a single to right field. He then stole second base, and advanced to third on a wild pitch. Block later followed with a single to center, which drove in the winning run.

Witt Hero

A key victory during regular season competition was over Brooklyn Tech. The match was all tied 2 and 2 with Frank Witt playing the game-telling match. He was down one hole with only one hole to play. He won the hole to tie his match. In the sudden death play-off, which always ensues in a tied match when both teams are deadlocked, Witt defeated his opponent on the tenth hole. The Dutchmen won 3 and 2.

Stern Leads Team

In the division championship match, the winning score was 3½ and 1½ in favor of the Buff and Blue. The golfers won the borough championship by a score of 3 and 2.

Bobby Stern, in seven P.S.A.L. matches, has a record of six wins and one defeat. Richard Ashe is 2-5, Marvin Bellovin 6-1, Frank Witt 5-1-1, Martin Gottlieb 3-2, and Michael Bell 2-0.

Handball Team Begins Season; Squad Progresses, Says Coach

"They're young and inexperienced, but they're showing progress in each of their matches," commented John Reinhardt, coach of the recently formed handball team.

The Dutchman handball squad is one of six teams in the division which began competition late in April. In the rugged interschool matches that they played, the team chalked up two victories, defeating both Lincoln and Sheepshead Bay, but met defeat in two contests against Lafayette. The squad also opposed Grady, but because of technicalities in scoring, a rematch was called for in the near future. A match with New Utrecht will round out division play.

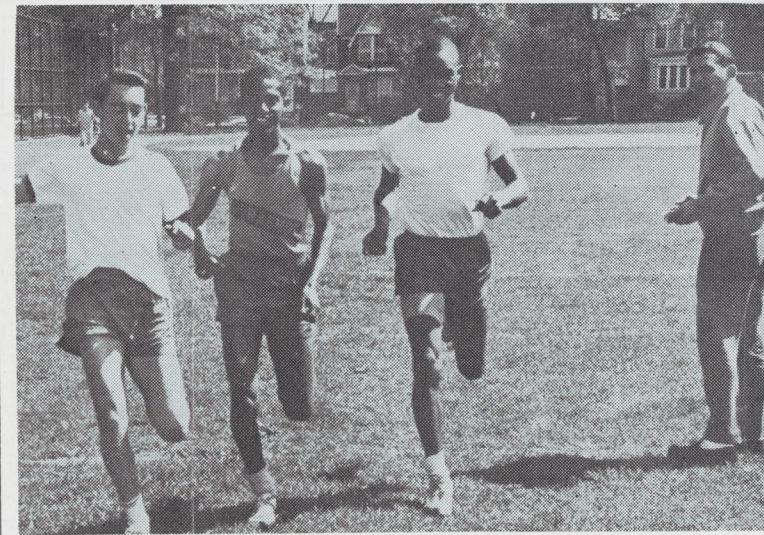
Surviving the final cuts to decide the members of the squad were first singles man Walter Ulrich, who is presently undefeated in league play. Fred Kutcher plays second singles, while Michael Dunst is third man. Richard Pezzola and Arnold Silverstein compose the first doubles tandem and the second duo consists of James Grant and Dennis Joneleit.



Waller Captain: Walter Ulrich.

Practice sessions are held every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at the home court at Foster and Nostrand Avenues.

"The morale and spirit of the team is excellent," added coach Reinhardt. "The boys are extremely cooperative and are determined to play their best."



COACH HEICHMAN OBSERVES: Rothman, Singh and Jermison practice.

School Nine Clinches Title 9 Wins: 1 Loss

by Larry Lustgarten

Pitcher Don Balsamo handcuffed Tilden, striking out ten, and his battery-mate, Harvey Stein, drove in two runs with a pair of singles, to nail down the top slot in Brooklyn's Division I. The victory, achieved at Tilden Field on May 16, brought the Dutchmen their first division title since 1959.

The Dutchmen tallied the deciding run in the fourth. Center fielder Joe Giordano walked, moved to second on a sacrifice, and scored on Stein's first hit. The diamondmen added insurance runs in the seventh inning. Giordano singled, and gained second when Fred Block reached first on an error. A passed ball advanced them another base, and pitcher Balsamo's squeeze bunt drove in Giordano. Stein's single brought in the final tally.

Down Sheepshead 6-4

Outfielder John Bauer suffered a broken nose in this encounter, and will see no more action this year.

The diamondmen ran their division mark to 9-1, downing Sheepshead, 6-4, on May 21. The victory gave the team a 16-4 record, in this season's P.S.A.L. competition, the best school mark since 1954.

Eight Dutchmen went to bat in the third inning, and four crossed the plate. John Howell's two-run double was the big blow. He also blasted two triples. Stein collected two hits and Tommy Cahill two RBIs.

Dugan Appraises Squad

Sheepshead exploded in the fourth. Three singles, a triple, two errors, and a walk resulted in three runs. Steve Starkweather, who pitched the complete game, bore down, however, and struck out the last batter, stranding two baserunners.

Reviewing the squad's performance, coach Dugan commented, "Pitching is our greatest asset. We've won six one-run games—the mark of a good team. In some ways they resemble the 1941 squad." The veteran coach led that team to a runner-up finish in the city championships.

Foursome Takes Penn Relays; 3:24.6 Sets New School Record

by Steve Glusband

"Records are made to be broken," is the gospel of the mile relay team, the "Awesome Foursome."

Since the beginning of the outdoor season they have recorded one record-breaking performance after another. Winning the Penn Relays, the team did what no other Dutchman foursome had ever previously accomplished.

Alvin Singh, Leon Watford, Mel Jermison, and Harold Rothman, each running a quarter mile leg, combined for a 3:24.6 mile, breaking the school record they had set two weeks before. This fine performance earned the relaymen gold medals and plaques, the only ones gained by a P.S.A.L. contingent.

Double Victory in Relays

Other triumphs occurred in the Queens-Iona Relays, where the foursome gained gold and silver plaques. They earned the gold plaques in regular competition. They gained the others in a special race among the six fastest teams in the meet. The foursome also garnered silver

plaques and trophies in the Commerce and the New Utrecht meets.

In the Penn Relays, the 440 yard relay team of Jermison, Rothman, Watford, and Alan Tepper brought the baton across the finish line in 45.1 seconds, for a second place finish in their section.

Hard Road to Success

Success did not come easily to the foursome. They practiced daily and for long periods of time, through all types of weather. At first their endeavors yielded no results. They did not achieve any success until the tail end of the indoor season. Since then, the foursome has accumulated 36 awards in seven successive meets and is looking ahead to future triumphs.

Before the track season began, Alvin and Harold helped lead the cross-country team through a tough season. Mel got in shape by starring on the gridiron, to which he will return next year. Leon rejoined the track team at the beginning of the indoor season.

Teachers Evaluate Their Role In Building Moral Standards

Question: How do teachers influence the building of students' standards?

Mrs. Michaela Schaeffer:

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Mrs. Florence Fluhr:

By emphasizing the preservation of the "good life" and caring little or nothing for television's "gracious living" a teacher can work towards raising students' standards a little. The conscientious and good teacher, however, finds it almost impossible to do this because most students are more impressed with the power man has than the fearful fact that man's power has increased faster than his wisdom. i.e.—if the average or above average student were told that a rocket would be shot to the moon next week, he would be all respectful attention immediately, but tell him on the other hand, that he needs to become more self-controlled, and he would be indifferent or actively resentful. How difficult it is to prove to our students that money and enthusiasm, excellent as they are, will not take the place of stretching the mind, which is the true learning process.

Mr. Howard Bloom:

The teacher is an appointed agent of authority. He therefore represents the ideals and values of our democratic society. In so far as the teacher transfers these ideals to the student body, he is acting as an inspiring force to the students.

Thank-You Note

Dear Miss Juceam:

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At the time the plaque is unveiled, I will advise you so that appropriate notice can be posted in the Erasmus High School newspaper or bulletin board, that those who wish to attend the unveiling of the plaque may do so.

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